

INVESTMENT CO.'S PROJECT SHOWS RAPID PROGRESS

Famous Landscape Artist
Will Work Out Development
Plans.

BEGIN RAILWAY SURVEY

Both Monongahela and B. &
O. Will Run Line Into
Valley.

Matters are progressing so rapidly with regard to the development of the Greater Fairmont Investment company's project in Pleasant Valley on the East side of the river that the members of the board of directors met this afternoon with A. F. Paul, the celebrated Philadelphia landscape architect, for the purpose of considering plans for the development of the property.

Mr. Paul, who has been in charge of some of the most ambitious undertakings of this character in the country, was enthusiastic about the possibilities of the site and the members of the board of directors are determined it shall be given a treatment which will make it one of the most attractive places in the state.

Monday engineers representing the Monongahela and Baltimore and Ohio railroads will begin the surveys for the location of the railroad line which will be run into the little valley. It was determined during an inspection trip which was made yesterday that this branch shall be a joint effort and that work on it will be begun at the earliest possible moment.

Yesterday's trip over the proposed line was made by G. B. Obey, superintendent of the Monongahela railroad, E. D. Brady, consulting engineer of the same road and Engineer of Surveys Talcott of the Baltimore and Ohio and the officials of the Investment company.

STILL WAITING FOR GERMAN VERSION

Berlin Government May
Give New Twist to Sub-
marine Question.

(By Associated Press)
WASHINGTON, Nov. 2.—State department officials still were awaiting today for Germany's version of the destruction of the British steamer *Marina*, with loss of American lives. A news despatch from Athens last night saying the Greek government had been notified that Germany intended to sink without warning all ships carrying supplies to the allies was regarded here as of great importance. So far as is known the United States has received no such notification and it is not known whether one has been sent to other neutrals.

Secretary Lansing said today that the United States understands Germany's pledges not to sink merchant men without warning and providing for safety of passengers and crew applies to ships with defensive armament. No distinction was drawn in correspondence between armed and unarmed ships and the State department does not accept any contention that Germany's responsibility is limited to those without armament.

Nevertheless it is admitted that Germany has always taken a distinct view of the status of armed ships and is thought probable that she will attempt to inject the point into the present situation.

City Hall Notes

A meeting will be held by the Board of Affairs on Monday, November 13, to decide upon the purchase of the steel cabinet filing cabinets, samples of which were submitted yesterday to the Board. It was unable to decide upon what is wanted of the four samples on hand and the meeting was postponed until the above mentioned date.

J. Walter Barnes, finance committee member, without whom every Democratic campaign is fruitless, is doing his share to help along the deserving by making a few speeches along the lines running into Fairmont. At Bingham last night a big meeting was held with six persons present.

The final clean up was made today on State street. The workmen will start tomorrow to clean up everything on Oakwood road before the cold weather sets in for the winter.

OUR MORAL BLIGHT (An Editorial.)

SHORTLY after the opening of the campaign which led up to the primary election in June it became apparent that bootlegging was going on in Fairmont and other towns in the county. The evil increased rapidly and when earnest men looked about them in search of a means to suppress it they discovered to their thorough disgust that this particularly offensive form of jackal lawlessness was being "protected" by a method none the less effective because it was an implied arrangement rather than one of the clumsy contracts which are usually entered into by the beneficiaries of commercialized vice and crime and officers of the law. It was found that the county officers who are charged with the duty of enforcing the laws had adopted a "hands off" policy while people prominently identified with Gang government in Marion county took advantage of technicalities in the laws and by personally going on the bonds of bootleggers, or procuring others to become bondsmen, saved from condign punishment such offenders as were unlucky enough to be arrested in spite of the immunity which those engaged in the illicit traffic enjoyed. The cases were appealed, and that appears to be the end of the matter so far as the courts are concerned.

It speedily became known that this effective arrangement existed. The word was passed in circles where it was a matter of interesting news that Fairmont was wide open, and the effect was soon apparent. Drunken men and courtesans began to appear on the streets in such numbers as to attract the attention of the most heedless. Rumors that gambling was going on with little or no attempt at concealment went the rounds and those with an inclination to play experienced no trouble in finding places where they could gratify their gaming passion.

At first men smiled when the subject came up for discussion. Many of them agreed that "the boys" would have to be given a little rope at election time. But finally the smiles disappeared. "The boys" had taken so much rope as to be out of hand. Several sections of the city became moral plague spots. The Mayor and the Prosecuting Attorney publicly confessed their inability to cope with the situation, and the white men who began by shielding bootleggers found themselves in a position where they had to take orders from, and become lackeys for, blacks whose lawless acts make their mere presence in the community an offense. Fairmont was wide open with a vengeance. For all practical purposes a community which prides itself upon its culture and the intelligence of its people was being run not from the city hall, nor yet from the Watson building, but from the dives on Jackson street. And every one knew it—including girls of tender years going to the public schools.

For this humiliation, this menace to the moral welfare of the coming generation, Fairmont and Marion county is indebted to the intellectual poverty and moral obliquity of Gang government. There may be people who think the town and the county will be "cleaned up" after the election, but it cannot be done unless there are sweeping changes among city and county officers. Those in office now have surrendered to the vicious element. All experience in municipal government in this country indicates that such an abdication of moral and police authority is irrevocable. Try as it may this community will never retrace its steps until there is a thoroughgoing housecleaning in the Court house and in the City hall.

And if that housecleaning does not come soon all the ground gained by the splendid campaign for state wide prohibition will be lost. For weeks factory managers have been complaining that the drink evil has become worse than it was when we had saloons. Men are losing time because of drunkenness and the quality of their work is deteriorating. Worse yet, mere boys, yielding to the temptation which ease of access provides, are becoming whiskey addicts and in danger of growing up to become public charges.

This condition which is susceptible of proof at any time and at practically any establishment where a considerable number of men and boys are employed, puts the question of how they are going to vote on the county ticket next Tuesday squarely up to every foe of liquor and every friend of clean government. Eternal vigilance is the price of freedom from the destruction of manhood and the debauchery of womanhood by liquor. The county and the city governments have capitulated to booze, booze in its most insidious and demoralizing form. Are the good people of the city and county going to condone this action and continue the Gang in office, or are they going to vote for the Republican candidates?

This is not a partisan question. It has nothing to do with the tariff, or with the foreign policy of the federal government. It does not even touch the government at Charleston. It is simply a question of whether booze and vice or clean citizenship shall rule in this county; whether our boys shall be protected from body wrecking and soul destroying liquor and our girls from contact with a brazen underworld or abandoned to their fate in a community that is so contemptible, so devoid of moral fiber, that it has given up the struggle to rule itself.

Tuesday will tell the tale. And every man who has the right to vote should remember that he has an individual responsibility in the matter. When it comes to voting for county officers he must either vote for decency or the other thing. There is no middle ground.

Wonderful Increase In Ore Shipments

(By Associated Press)
DULUTH, Nov. 2.—An increase of more than 11,000,000 tons in the shipment of iron ore to this port is shown in reports for the season ending November 1 as compared with record of the corresponding season last night. To November 1, 1915, shipments amounted to 23,345,174 tons while during the 1916 season 40,608,767 tons have gone forward.

Crush the tax-eating Democratic ring
by electing the Republican county officers.

DEMOCRATS TRY TO BUY ELECTION

Alien Corruptionists Are
Trying to Put Over
Cornwell.

(Special Dispatch to West Virginian)
CLARKSBURG, W. Va., Nov. 2.—The public is warned to be on the look out for vote buyers in a statement given to the press today by Joseph Holt Gaines, chairman of the Republican State committee. It read:

"We are in receipt of information that vote buyers representing the Democratic party organization, generously supplied with money from the immense slush fund raised by the sinister influences backing the candidacy of John Cornwell, are abroad in various counties. They are, according to our information, strangers to the people of the county in which they are attempting to corrupt the individual voter. They are supplied with a list of names of voters in the county who are marked 'doubtful.' In Preston and other counties which give large Republican majorities they are already hard at work in an effort to buy votes for Cornwell."

"It appears that Wilson, Chilton and all other Democratic candidates are not mentioned by them as part of the consideration in their proposition to buy votes it is Cornwell only. The public generally, and loyal Republicans particularly, are warned to keep a sharp lookout for these political criminals and wherever possible demand that local authorities enforce the law against them."

The contest between the parties now is settled down to one thing, and that is the governorship. The Democratic organization is now putting their plan to buy enough votes to "put Cornwell across" into effect in many sections of the state. Beware of these vote buyers is the earnest admonition of this committee."

Conley Child Buried at Mannington

MANY ATTENDED FUNERAL SERVICES WHICH WERE HELD
THIS AFTERNOON.

The funeral of Terrence Joseph Conley, 10 year old son of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Conley, of Mannington, was held this afternoon at three o'clock from the residence and services were conducted by Rev. H. D. Clark, of Mannington. Interment was made in the Mannington cemetery.

The boy had been ill for several weeks and died Tuesday evening. He is survived by his parents and the following sisters and brothers, of which he was the youngest: Hazel, Florence, Marie, Dorothy, Clara and Robert.

A large number of friends of the family attended the funeral services today and extended their sympathy to the bereaved relatives. Terrence was a bright and well liked child and his early death is regretted by all who knew him.

N. Y. TO CHICAGO FLIGHT IS MARRED

Engine Trouble Compelled
Carlstrom to Descend
at Erie.

(By Associated Press)
ERIE, Pa., Nov. 2.—Aviator Victor Carlstrom, who is flying from Chicago to New York, landed in this city at 11:26 a. m. today because of engine trouble, but thereby establishing a new American non-stop record.

Erie is just half the difference Carlstrom set out to cover. The aviator was flying about 7 miles south of Erie when a pipe became loose on the engine and he made for this city so he could obtain necessary mechanical assistance.

He landed easily in a large open field at 30th and Beach street and jumping from the car at once began repairs. He said he was delighted with the flight as far as he had gone and although disappointed because of slight engine trouble he deemed it advisable to take no unnecessary chances as he was very anxious to get to New York by 6 this evening. The engine was doing all he had expected of it in the way of speed, the distance between Cleveland and Erie having been covered in 30 minutes.

Wilson Busy Today in the Metropolis

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—President Wilson arrived here this morning from his campaign trip of the state. He was taken by auto across town to the East river and went aboard the government yacht *Mayflower*.

When the President reached the Grand Central station to spend his only day of campaigning in New York city with four speeches on his program for the afternoon and evening he was cheered by a large group of railroad men some of them carrying American flags.

The Times says the County Home is self sustaining. Then who gets the \$14,000 the Democratic campaign pamphlet says the home costs the taxpayers each year.

DEMOCRATIC POLITICIAN IS ARRESTED

Own Party Would Not Stand
for Roughneck
Tactics

SLUGGED A CANDIDATE

Grant District Man Was a
Victim of An Unusual
Assault.

Any citizen who is curious enough to make a few inquiries about the facts behind a commonplace assault charge that has been made against Lawrence Holbert, official court reporter of this county, in Justice Musgrove's court will learn a story about campaigning methods which will at least interest him if it does not excite any more poisonous emotion.

If the matter ever comes to an open hearing on November 9, the time set by the justice, the story unfolded will be something like this: The other day Assistant Prosecuting Attorney Miller, Constables Harry Conner and Harry Shultz and Stenographer Lawrence Holbert were out in Grant district glad handing about and trying to find out what the sturdy yeomen are thinking about the parlous political situation.

In the course of time they arrived at the home of Homer Morris, who is running for justice of the peace on the Republican ticket in that district. Morris came down to the fence bordering the public road and a little friendly conversation ensued during which some of the men in the automobile informed Morris that they were bound for a cider mill on a nearby farm. And as a matter of fact that was what took them into that particular neighborhood.

When the party drove up Morris noticed that one of the men in the auto was Holbert with whom he has had some business dealings that did not end happily, but he did not pay much attention to the man at the time. In fact he lost sight of him altogether until some one hit him a resounding whack behind the left ear. Then before he "went out" he saw Holbert leap for a seat in the automobile. Subsequently he picked up a good size stone which he is confident was not at the spot before.

Morris's injury is quite a severe one and has been causing him considerable pain and nervousness since. While he was making up his mind what to do about the matter he received a summons to attend the hearing of Holbert on the assault charge before Musgrove. A little inquiry put him in possession of what brought that about.

It seems that when the party got back to town the story leaked out and got to the ears of men influential in the Democratic organization. Then what might be justly called a scene ensued. There was sharp language all around and the prosecution of Holbert was decided upon. The complaint against him was made by Assistant Prosecutor Miller, who was in the car when the incident happened and in all probability was an eye witness to it. The warrant was served by Constable Conner and Shultz went on the bail bond. Quite a nice little family affair.

Miner Shoots at Passing Trolley Car

JOE KLOPSIC IN JAIL GAVE NO EXPLANATION FOR HIS ACTION

Joe Klopsic, No. 224, working at Middleton mines is in the county jail here awaiting a hearing on a charge of shooting at a passing street car last night. He left the car at Chifton and according to Conductor William Arnett pulled out a revolver and started plugging away at the rear of the car.

From Chifton the man started to walk to Middleton. In the meantime constables from Fairmont and Monongah were started toward Chifton. Upon their arrival there they were told that their man was walking to Middleton. They overtook him and brought him to jail here. He carried a fully loaded .33 calibre revolver.

Charge for his trial has not yet been set. The foreigner gave no explanation for his action. He and the conductor had no words previous to the shooting.

Steel Trust Common Is Again Aviating

(By Associated Press)
NEW YORK, Nov. 2.—United States Steel common shares sold at the new high record of 122 1/2 shortly after the opening of today's market, the stock being at absorbed in large individual lots.

This exceeds previous maximum by one-half point. It also passed the preferred stock which sold at 122.

NORSE STEAMER LOST.

LONDON, Nov. 2.—The sinking of the 3,000-ton Norwegian steamship *Delto* is reported by Lloyd's.

WOMAN SUFFRAGE AND COLORED VOTE

Preponderance of White
Vote Would Be Increased
in West Virginia

(Special Dispatch to West Virginian)
MORGANTOWN, Nov. 2.—It was stated at Suffrage State Headquarters today that the usual roborax which the people opposed to equal suffrage always circulate during the closing hours of a campaign, has made its appearance. The speakers and last night circulars of the Antis are going all over the state seeking to raise the race issue and thus coerce the white voters into casting their ballots against the suffrage amendment.

The State Suffrage Campaign committee stated today that these circulars and speakers are saying there are 9000 more colored women in West Virginia than there are men of voting age.

This is a most palpable falsehood as is proved by the last United States Census taken in W. Va. 1910:

Total Negroes in W. Va.	64,173
Total males over 21	22,670
Total women over 21	15,114
Excess of men over women over 21	7,556

Yet the men are already voters. It will be seen at once that by adding the white women to the electorate the proportion of white voters is largely increased. The actual census figures are as follows:

To every 100 male colored voters will be added but 65 women voters. To every 100 white male voters will be added 84 1/2 women voters.

At present there are 15 1/2% white voters to every colored voter.

If women vote there will be 16 1/2% white voters to every colored voter.

B. & O. HAS STRIKE ON ITS HANDS HERE

Machinists Helpers and Laborers Want a Better Understanding.

It developed this morning that the raise in wages and settlement of other differences between the Baltimore and Ohio and the employees of the common labor grade in this city which was announced was made some time ago was so far from being satisfactory that the men quit work this morning to enforce their demand for a better understanding.

The matter was taken up with Division headquarters about two months ago but while an increase was agreed to the men never got the money. Again the matter was called to the attention of Superintendent Scott and he promised to come here this morning to talk the matter over. Instead he sent Master Mechanic Anderson and the night men out at 6 o'clock and the day men walked out at 8:15. All the boilermakers' assistants, machinists assistants and other men of that grade in the Fairmont yards are involved.

Efforts are being made to adjust the matter. The men now get from 19 to 21 cents per hour and nothing extra for overtime. They want 25 cents a nine-hour day and time and half-time for overtime and work on Sundays and holidays.

Democrats Attempt County Speaking

The success of the Republican county speakers campaign has led the Democratic committee to attempt a similar plan but so far all of their speakers have met with disappointment. Last night J. Walter Barnes was sent to Riverside.

When he arrived at that town no one was on hand to hear him except the committee members of that section. These went out among the residents of the town and roused them from their beds and after heroic efforts obtained an audience of 13 persons, including themselves and the wives and families of five voters of Riverside.

The preceding night Mr. Barnes went all the way to Bingham where he gave an address in the school house to six Republican voters. No Democrats except himself were present. Tonight Mr. Barnes will go to Eldora.

The Weather

West Virginia—Fair tonight and Friday not much change in temperature.

LOCAL WEATHER READINGS
F. P. Hall, Observer
Temperature at 8 a. m. today 35.
Yesterday's weather clear; temperature, maximum 64; minimum 33; precipitation none.

TO ALL SUBSCRIBERS OF WEST VIRGINIAN AT BELLVIEW AND BARNSTOWN.

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M. D. PRICKETT.

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CAMPBELL MEETS WITH SUCCESS IN RURAL DISTRICTS

Says Democratic Voters are
Indignant Over Gang
Practices.

TWO MEETINGS TONIGHT

Good Speakers Scheduled
for Montana and Colfax
Begin at 7:30.

Ex-Senator Alex. R. Campbell, of Ohio county, who has been stumping Marion county the past week on behalf of the Republican party, says that the school house meetings in the various districts have been more successful than had been expected.

"Every place I go," says Senator Campbell, "there is usually a good sprinkling of Democrats in the audience and invariably half a dozen or more of them wait around until after their Republican neighbors leave and then come forward and shake me by the hand and say that they have become converted."

"I had imagined," said Senator Campbell, "that this county would be a Democratic stronghold from the fact that the state headquarters are here, but throughout the county it is very much the other way. Democrats who have voted a straight ticket all their lives have told me since I have been in this county that they could no longer stand for the manner in which the 'gang' is insulting our taxpayers in the rural districts and that next Tuesday they intend to administer the justice that is due."

Senator Campbell is one of the most delightful speakers that has ever appeared in this county and at his every appearance he has been greeted with good turnouts of the voters. His talk is not of the stereotyped campaign variety but is interesting and filled with little human anecdotes that charm all who hear him. He is very quick witted and no unexpected question has ever yet gone unanswered.

Following is a list of the school house meetings yet to be held in the county and the speakers for each place. Each begins at 7:30 p. m.:

Thursday, November 2, Montana—M. C. Lough, R. J. Conley, Confas—M. W. Ogden, J. M. Jacobs, French McCray, A. O. Stanley.

Friday, November 3, Benton's Ferry—Harry Shaw, A. O. Stanley, Brooks Hutchinson, Hammond—J. A. Meredith, R. J. Conley, Barnstow—W. S. Meredith, M. W. Ogden, Paul Armstrong, J. M. Jacobs, Dent's Run—E. M. Showalter, M. C. Lough, French McCray.

Saturday, November 4, Catawba—R. J. Conley, J. A. Meredith, Eldora—M. C. Lough, E. M. Showalter, French McCray, Paul Armstrong, Samaria (Shaw school)—A. O. Stanley, Harry Shaw, J. M. Jacobs, Brooks S. Hutchinson.

GENERAL BOND HERE

Adjutant General John C. Bond, of the West Virginia National Guard, is in Fairmont this afternoon visiting friends.

DR. M. S. HOLT of Weston Socialist Candidate for Governor

will address the voters of Fairmont and vicinity at the Court House TONIGHT at 7:30.

Read his challenge issued to the candidates of other parties. Come and hear him repeat that challenge tonight at 7:30.

NOTICE TO TAXPAYERS

The 1916 tax books are now completed and ready for collection. The books for all Districts will be found at the Sheriff's Office daily until Nov. 30th, the close of the discount period except Mannington district, which will be found at the Bank of Mannington. Please pay today as I have more time to wait on you now than later.

C. D. CONAWAY, Sheriff

NOTICE

City taxes are now due and payable at the City Treasurer's Office, Monroe street. A discount of 2 1/2% will be allowed.

J. R. MILLER,
Treasurer.